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Attachments: A copy of the newly and fully executed declaration in order to claim priority under 35 USC 119 to EP 02002250.5 ( 2 pages).

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****Applicants:** Matthias Giese**Application Serial Number:** 10/675,444**Filing Date:** 09-30-2003**Title:** Equine Arteritis Virus Vaccine**Examiner:** Humphrey, Louise Wang Zhiying**Art Unit:** 1648**Confirmation Number:** 7837**Mail Stop:** Patent Application (Response to restriction requirements)

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**CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC 119 AND NEWLY SUBMITTED DECLARATION**

Sir:

Applicant in the above-entitled patent application hereby claims the date of priority of European Patent application EP 02002250.5 (EP 1346998 A1); title "Equine arteritis virus vaccine. The filing date of the European Patent application is January 30, 2002. This claims for priority to the EP 02002250.5 is listed in the enclosed newly and fully executed declaration.

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A certified copy of said European Patent application will be submitted shortly.

Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration of the present application and a timely examination of all of the pending claims.

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